

chairman of a committee. Don't rock the boat."

What I found in the leadership here with the gentleman from Georgia [Mr. GINGRICH], the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DELAY], the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARMEY], is the fact they said, "Listen, you were sent here by your constituents. You are equal to us. We are not any higher than you are in the electoral process. We are all Members of the House of Representatives. We each have constituents to answer for. Give it your best shot." I have never once been called down to the office, as happened in the past, for a scolding or a lecture or being told, "You know, Mark, you are going out on a limb. You are embarrassing the Congress," or, you know, "That is not appropriate, you are a freshman, let a senior Member lead." I have got to tell you, I am gratified in this process that I have been able, as a freshman, a new Member coming here from the very first day to speak on the floor, I have been given the opportunity to be in the chair, as I know the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. FOX] has, and I believe the others have, that is a unique opportunity to participate fully in this democracy.

So I have to tip my hat to our leadership for giving us the chance to participate fully.

Mr. KINGSTON. I would only say if they had not given you the chance, you would have made it or taken it.

Mrs. SMITH of Washington. I just want to make a comment on what the gentleman from Florida [Mr. FOLEY] said, not only is this freshman class anxious but we are able to fully join. I did not even think about being a freshman. In fact, you do not remember who freshman are.

Have you ever seen a time in history, I am chairing a subcommittee. Now, that is not a major job, but it used to take you 20 years to get there. I do not think there is any woman on the other side, as well as most men, who have had an opportunity to chair unless they have 10, 20 years under their belt. I had 10-20 minutes under my belt and was chairing the Subcommittee on Taxation and Finance for Small Business. They have taken the energies and the talents of all Members, taken a look at them, whether they have been here 1 minute, 2 years or 20 years, and they said, "Let us use them for the people instead of let us let them wait until they have become ripe," and that is just different, and I appreciate the leadership, too, and the other freshman, because this freshman class has just been fantastic at working together. It has been competitive, but competitive for the people, and the American people are really winning by this.

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. I think all the Members who joined me for this special colloquy. I hope we can continue a report back to the American people on a regular basis.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. YATES (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), on Tuesday, July 11, on account of illness in the family.

Miss COLLINS of Michigan (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), between 2 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. today, on account of medical reasons.

Mr. FOGLIETTA (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), on Monday, July 10, on account of medical reasons.

Ms. MCKINNEY (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of official business.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. PALLONE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FARR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WARD, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TOWNS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. OWENS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, for 5 minutes each day, on July 12 and 13.

Mr. KASICH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHAYS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes, today.

#### EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revised and extend remarks was granted to:

(Mr. MILLER of California, during consideration of H.R. 1905, in the Committee of the Whole today.)

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. PALLONE) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. TEJEDA.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. KLECZKA.

Mr. HAMILTON in two instances.

Mrs. KENNELLY.

Mr. MILLER of California.

Mr. SKELTON in two instances.

Mr. COLEMAN.

Mr. STARK.

Mr. BENTSEN.

Mr. VISCLOSKEY.

Mr. TORRICELLI.

Mr. CARDIN.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. DAVIS.

Mr. MOORHEAD.

Mr. WELLER.

Mr. WHITE.

Mr. HUNTER.

Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma.

Mr. PORTMAN.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM.

Mr. GALLEGLY.

Mr. RADANOVITCH.

Mr. SOLOMON.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.

Mr. PACKARD.

Mr. SHAW.

Mr. HANSEN.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. KINGSTON) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. HORN.

Mr. BROWN of California.

Mr. DE LA GARZA.

Mr. GILLMOR.

Mr. FATTAH.

#### SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under this rule, referred as follows:

S. 533. An act to clarify the rules governing removal of cases to Federal court, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S. 677. An act to repeal a redundant venue provision, and other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On July 5, 1995:

H.R. 483. An act to amend the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990 to permit Medicare select policies to be offered in all States.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. KINGSTON. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 59 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, July 12, 1995, at 10 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1165. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting a report involving United States exports to Indonesia, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3)(i); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1166. A letter from the Executive Director, Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting the annual report of the Oversight Board on the Resolution Funding Corporation for the calendar year 1994, pursuant to Public Law 101-73, section 511(a) (103 Stat. 404); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

1167. A letter from the Executive Director, Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting the audited financial statement of the Resolution Trust Corporation as